



Paul T. Burch Memorial Scholarship Application

DEADLINE: POSTMARKED BY JULY 1st OF EACH YEAR

MEMBER SECTION

Member's Name: _____ Home Phone: (____) _____

Street Address: _____ Town _____ State _____ Zip _____

Member's Employer: _____

Member's Last 4 Digits of Social Security Number: _____ Work Phone (____) _____

APPLICANT SECTION

Applicant's Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Gender: **Circle one:** M F

Name of Higher Institution of Learning: _____

Major/Course of Study: _____ Enrolled Credits: _____

The above information is true and correct.

Student Applicant

Member Signature

IN ORDER TO BE ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE THE PAUL T. BURCH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP the dependent student must be studying in a field which could be considered one which leads to "community service" or "for the betterment of the lives of others". They must submit with this application a **typewritten double-spaced essay of 500-1,000 words** in response to this question:

Paul T. Burch was the Upstate Regional Director of UPSEU until he lost his battle with cancer in 1996. Paul left a lasting impact on the entire public sector union movement. For Paul, working to improve the lives of working men and women was not just a job; it was a life's vocation. He devoted more than three decades to right wrongs, to fight injustices, and to tirelessly advocate for the underdog.

IN 500-1000 WORDS, please state how you, through your current community involvement and furthering your education, will be able to carry on Paul's commitment to making a difference in the lives of others.

The scholarship committee reserves the right to reject an application if false information is provided. It may from time to time adjust the criteria, procedures, forms, etc., as is deemed necessary to protect the integrity of the scholarship program and/or to ensure its most effective use and administration.

Awards are granted on the basis of the essay.

Winners will be notified by letter sent to our member indicating the award and procedures for receiving payments. Members must remain in good standing with the Union at the point of scholarship payment. Dependent children must be under the age of 23 as of July 1st of the year in which an application is sent. The Union reserves the right to publish a list of recipients.

I understand if chosen, I will need to supply the following:

Birth Certificate (If step or foster child, proof of legal guardianship by member)

Proof of Enrollment (i.e. student schedule, bursar receipt)

Last report card received

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RETURN APPLICATION BY MAIL, FAX, OR EMAIL TO:

UPSEU, Attention Scholarship Committee, 3555 Veterans Highway, Suite H Ronkonkoma, NY 11779

Fax – Attention Scholarship Committee: 631-738-7236

Email – Subject line: Attention Scholarship Committee : Kimberly@upseu.org

Qualifications for Paul T. Burch Memorial Scholarships

All dependent children (up to age 23) of UPSEU members in good standing are eligible to receive the Paul T. Burch \$1,000 scholarship award per school year to attend an undergraduate accredited college full-time (minimum of 12 credits per semester).

Awards will not be made for graduate studies.

All dependent children of UPSEU members in good standing are eligible to receive a \$1,000 scholarship to attend a trade or vocational school full-time leading to certification/licensing in a specific field. The course of study is subject to the approval of the Scholarship Committee.

Applications must meet the following criteria:

- One child per application.
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- A copy of the dependent's birth certificate or documentation of legal dependency to the member.
- A Bursar's receipt or official enrollment and credit verification.
- **Applicants must be in a course of study relating to Service to the Community or the betterment of the lives of others.**
- Awards shall be granted for the amount of the course to a maximum of \$1,000 per school year (2 semesters @ \$500 per semester).
- Awards will be paid at the end of each school semester upon receipt of an official transcript from the higher learning institution.
- The child must maintain no less than a 2.0 (C) grade point average per semester in order to receive the award.
- Awards will only be paid for accredited courses of study.
- Awards are not transferable.
- **Applicants must attach a 500-1000 word typewritten double-spaced essay (see application).**
- The final school report card may be sent separately after the July 1st deadline, if it is not available.

The Paul T. Burch Memorial Scholarship will be awarded based upon the best four (4) essays submitted. Under no circumstances are the essays judged by the region from which they were submitted; they will be assigned to another region to maintain impartiality.

The UPSEU scholarship committees reserve the right to reject an application if false or incomplete information is provided or filed late. It may from time to time adjust the criteria, procedures, forms, etcetera as is deemed necessary to protect the integrity of the scholarship program and/or ensure its effective use and administration. Scholarship committee members, officers and staff of UPSEU are not eligible for participation in the scholarship program. Scholarship Recipients will have a one year wait to apply for future scholarship awards.

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